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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2663

INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMEMBASSY MANAMA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, KU, PL

SUBJ: ARAFAT SEES SHIFT IN US MIDDLE EAST POLICY

1. PLO CHAIRMAN YASSAR ARAFAT MADE 24-HOUR VISIT TO KUWAIT APRIL 1-2 DURING COURSE GULF TOUR. MET WITH AMIR, CROWN PRINCE AND OTHER GOK OFFICIALS, AS WELL AS LOCAL PLO OFFICERS AND PALESTINE NATIONAL STUDENTS UNION.

2. IN STATEMENT TO REPORTERS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR BAHRAIN, SAID HIS RECENT MEETING WITH US SENATOR MCGOVERN HAD GIVEN HIM IMPRESSION US HAD BEGUN ATTACHING MORE IMPORTANCE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF PALESTINIAN NATIONAL AUTHORITY OR GOVERNMENT-IN-EXILE. SENATOR'S ATTITUDE WAS "SOMETHING NEW" FROM A HIGH-RANKING AMERICAN PERSONALITY. ARAFAT ALSO PREDICTED THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER WOULD HAVE ANOTHER GO AT SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY, BUT DID NOT PREDICT WHEN HE MIGHT RETURN TO AREA. PLO LEADER IS QUOTED AS SAYING "I PREFER NOT TO SAY THAT KISSINGER HAS FAILED, BUT ONLY THAT HE SUSPENDED HIS MISSION AND WILL REPEAT HIS ATTEMPT."

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3. ARAFAT TOLD REPORTERS HE DID NOT WANT TO DISCUSS THE RECON-

VENING OF THE GENEVA MIDDLE EAST PEACE CONFERENCE UNTIL THE PLO RECEIVED AN INVITATION TO TAKE PART, AND KNEW THE BASIS ON WHICH IT COULD ATTEND AND WHAT WAS TO BE DISCUSSED.

4. VISIT WAS OCCASION OF WIDE PRESS COVERAGE AND LAUDATORY COMMENTARY CONCERNING KUWAIT SUPPORT PLO CAUSE.  
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